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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the following information is brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration during examination of the instant application.

Applicant submits herewith a copy of a European Search Report (in German) dated April 26, 2004 and conducted in European Application No. 03 02 5545, which is a counterpart of the instant application. In particular, the European Examiner cited:

(1) EP 0 627 332. This document is cited as an "X" category document (i.e., a document of particular relevance when considered alone). Col. 5, lines 17-31, col. 7, lines 11-40, col. 8, lines 38-46, claim 15 and Fig. 1 are indicated by the European Examiner as

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being relevant to claims 1-7, 11, 13 and 14 of the European Application;

(2) EP 0 970 822. This document is cited as a “D,A” category document (i.e., a document discussed in the European Application and of technological background). Paragraph [0016], claim 2, and Fig. 1 are indicated by the European Examiner as being relevant to claim 1 of the European Application;

(3) EP 0 475 929. This document is cited as a “A” category document. Page 3, lines 22-24 and Fig. 1 are indicated by the European Examiner as being relevant to claim 1 of the European Application;

(4) GB 2,313,814. This document is cited as a “A” category document. Claim 1 and Fig. 2 are indicated by the European Examiner as being relevant to claim 1 of the European Application;

(5) US 6,311,748 is listed in the annex as a family member document of EP 0 627 332;

(6) US 5,964,266 is listed in the annex as a family member document of EP 0 627 332;

(7) US 2002/0005238 is listed in the annex as a family member document of EP 0 627 332; and

(8) US 5,759,311 is listed in the annex as a family member document of GB 2,313,814.

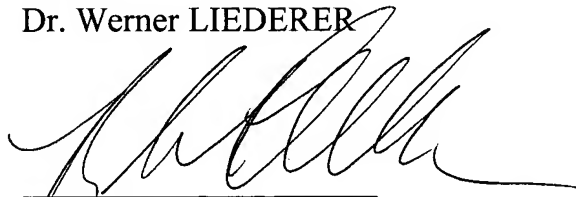
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Copies of documents (1) - (3) are not enclosed as these documents were previously submitted in an IDS filed on March 12, 2004. However, copies of documents (4) - (8) including the European Search Report are enclosed as is a completed copy of the PTO-1449 Form listing these documents. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the first official communication.

Applicant notes that this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of a US application and/or before receipt of a first office action on the merits. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed document is required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(1) and (3).

Should the Examiner have any further comments or questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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